

Red Cross Messages Received From Japan

Persons knowing the whereabouts of the following recipients of Red Cross messages from Japan are requested to notify local Red Cross office at 16-2-4.

Iseko Matsutani, 882 Crestwood St., San Pedro, from Kimio Yano, Chintau, China; to Shizue Deguchi, 602 E. 5th Ave., Los Angeles, from Hiroji Deguchi, Mie-Ken; to Osame Wakatsuki, 2103 Bush St., San Francisco, from Tomiju Morisawa, Kochi.

Naoichi Minamiji, 136-E. Terminal Way, Terminal Island, from Yoneko Samura, Shimono-seki; Nobuyee Adachi, % San Mateo County Chapter, 224 Primrose Road, Burlingame, from Kikuyo Matsushino, Tottori-ken; Ichitaro Tanaka, 2924 E. 1st St., Los Angeles from Ichizaemon Furutani, Kukui-ken; Hiroji Okumura, P. O. Box 300, Bismark, N. D., from Sajiro Hiraga, Mie-ken;

Shigezo Yamamoto, 84 Japanese Alley, Sacramento, from Shiki Kojima, Hiroshima-ken; Masako Sumida, 1079 Orme Ave., Los Angeles, from Kiyo Miyoshi, Tokyo; Kumeichi Okayama, 323 N. Geneva St., Glendale, from Kisoto Nakazono, Fukuoka-ken; Junjiro Koshimizu, 14531 Terre Bella Ave., Pacoima, Calif., from Miyo Koshimizu, Wakayama-ken.

Infantryman Badge Bestowed On Nisei

Pvt. Kenneth Otagaki, who has been awarded the Purple Heart, pinned on further recognition recently under the smiling approval of his friends at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. It was the relatively rare Combat Infantryman Badge, awarded to men who come up to War Department specifications in the field, particularly during combat.

Pvt. Otagaki is the first of several Japanese American veterans at Walter Reed to receive the badge. He wants it clearly understood that his outfit is the continuingly famous 100th Battalion in Italy.

Kenny had a lot of help pinning on his blue and silver badge. Among the willing advisors was a blonde young veteran named Ignatius Miedziewicz.

Los Angeles Editor Upholds Loyal Nisei

A Los Angeles editor answered a letter in the June 12 edition of Newsweek magazine in which a West Coast resident wrote protesting the fact that persons of Japanese ancestry were "running wild" in Salt Lake City and elsewhere, according to the Pacific Citizen.

In a letter published in the July 17 issue of Newsweek, A. S. Waxman, editor-publisher of the East-side Journal in Los Angeles, declared:

"I have read with great interest and dismay a letter in your June 12 edition, entitled 'Nation of Suckers,' and signed by John T. Liggett.

"Mr. Liggett seems to have been carried away by war hysteria. So great is his hatred against our Japanese enemies that he is willing to take it out on American children of Japanese descent. He ignored the fact that children in relocation centers are Americans, despite the fact that their ancestors came from Japan.

"He asks, 'Who are members of the race that we are supposedly fighting?' In that, Mr. Liggett is wrong again. We are not fighting a race of people; we are fighting the Japanese Imperial Government. If patriot Liggett would check the rolls of the American Army today, he would find that members of that 'race' have done some wonderful fighting for us in the European theater; he will discover among the heroes who wear the Purple Heart and other decorations many, many boys who are descendants of Japanese ancestors. These many war heroes certainly deserve the same type of American consideration that Mr. Liggett would want for his children."

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Family Here Notified Of Death Of Son In Italy

Receiving official word from Washington on Wednesday morning, Mrs. Teru Arikawa of 31-3-4 was notified of the death of her son on the Italian front.

The wire disclosed that Pfc. Frank Nobuo Arikawa was killed in action on July 6. He is the brother of Burns T. Arikawa who volunteered for the combat team from Manzanar and who is now also stationed in Italy. Another brother, James is on duty at the present time at Camp Shelby, Miss. Both Frank and James Arikawa had been in the services prior to evacuation.

In addition to Mr. and Mrs. Takeyoshi Arikawa, a brother, John A. Arikawa is residing in the center. Sisters Helen and Alice Arikawa have relocated to Washington, D. C. and another brother Robert is now in Cincinnati, Ohio on indefinite leave.

Schedule 'Think Of Your Future Week' Postponed By Board

"Think of Your Future Week" which had been planned for the first week in August, has been postponed one week due to auditorium arrangements, the committee disclosed this week.

The committee, composed of evacuees and appointed personnel members whose work keeps them in contact with the relocation program, reiterated the fact that this series of programs is not connected with the administration. This week will be devoted to aiding those who will relocate and matters such as fitting themselves to a vocation, travel etiquette and social conduct.

Programs planned include Vocational Guidance Night on Monday. This evening will have prominent evacuees and appointed personnel members to advise anyone regarding various vocations and professions. Chairman for the night will be Dr. Obo Sakaguchi of the local dentist staff.

Tuesday night will be a night for the issei with prominent issei who have been on short-term leave to the outside speaking. Assistant Relocation Program officer Walter A. Heath will also be on hand to answer questions and to tell of his recent trip to the Midwest and South. Chairman will be Walter Watanabe of the relocation office.

A skit is being planned by the youth of the center on Thursday night showing various aspects of conduct and wartime travel condition. Friday and Saturday nites are being held open for social guest speakers whose availability is as yet uncertain.

Motion pictures are planned to be shown on the Vocational Guidance night.

Canteen To Charge Deposit On Bottles

Beginning August 1, the Canteen will charge a five cent deposit on each bottle of soda, announced Sokichi Sugimoto, the general manager.

With each sale, purchasers will be given a deposit slip. The bottle is to be returned with the slip and refund on the deposit will be made.

Pastor Pleads For Lifting Coast Ban

A report calling upon the government to release its restrictions upon the free movement of loyal persons of Japanese ancestry, including their right to return to the Pacific Coast, was presented by Dr. Albert E. Day, pastor of the First Methodist church, at Pasadena, Calif., and adopted by the western jurisdictional conference of the Methodist church, reported the Pacific Citizen.

Resolution approved by the Methodists expressed the belief that democratic justice will be best served by granting freedom of movement to loyal persons of Japanese ancestry anywhere in the United States, on the same basis as other Americans and aliens of other countries.

"If the right to return to the Pacific Coast is abridged by political, racial or economic groups, we hold that such action will be destructive of essential democracy and Christian relations. To continue to delay the justice due this minority of American citizens and loyal aliens is contrary to every principle of fairness and in direct opposition to the basic rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States," stated the resolution.

Convicted Nisei File Mass Appeal

Sixty-three Japanese Americans convicted of draft evasion filed a mass appeal on July 18 in the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver, Colo., reported the Pacific Citizen.

Sentenced to three years each by U. S. District Judge T. Blake Kennedy of Wyoming, the Japanese Americans contended in the appeal that their obligations to serve in the armed forces was dissolved when they were denied full rights as citizens.

All are former residents of the Heart Mountain, Wyo., center and are now at McNeil's Island and Fort Leavenworth penitentiaries.

To Abandon Plans To Open Leupp Center

War Relocation Authority has abandoned its plan to reopen the special isolation center for evacuees at Leupp, Ariz., it was reported.

Abandonment of the Leupp center which was designed as a detention center for citizen sequees at Tule Lake who were confined in the stockade at the segregation camp following the November disturbance, was announced because of the small number of citizens remaining in the Tule Lake stockade.

Secretary of Interior Ickes announced that all aliens had been transferred from the stockade at Tule Lake. Six of the aliens were transferred to enemy alien internment camps operated by the Department of Justice.

WRA To Provide For Property Storage

According to word received by Project Director Ralph P. Merritt, the WRA will provide storage space for property left in the evacuated area or in a center by an evacuee who either relocates or is inducted in the armed forces as long as West Coast exclusion remains in effect.

Recently revised regulations further indicate that although the WRA will assist in moving the household, personal and commercial property of evacuees going out on indefinite leave, it cannot assume responsibility for the storage of cars of a relocated evacuee's property at the point of relocation. This includes property of evacuees who were inducted after relocation.

Revision also stipulates that an evacuee who has been inducted into the armed forces, and who desires to have property he has left at the center or on the West Coast stored for him by the WRA, should designate some person to represent him in dealing with the Authority.

Two Nisei Chosen Italy Front Heroes

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY IN ITALY—Two Japanese American medics from Salt Lake City were the unanimous choice of their mates for the spot of top heroes in the recent fighting near Belvedere in the front below Livorno (Leghorn), an Associated Press dispatch reported, according to the Pacific Citizen.

The medics are Pvt. Tadao Sako and Sgt. Arika Masaoka. It was reported they went out in the face of murderous enemy fire to help the wounded. Masaoka improvised litters from field jackets and shirts, and calmly supervised the evacuation of the wounded.

Sgt. Masaoka is one of the four Masaoka brothers of Salt Lake City who have been reported with the Japanese American Combat Team in Italy. The others are Pvts. Ben and Tad, and Cpl. Mike, executive secretary of the National JACL now on leave in the army.

CONFUSING AND NOT AMUSING

Palo Alto Times recently carried an editorial relating an incident concerning a nisei and a negro. Following is a reprint of the article.

This statement is corroborated by a Japanese American who, relocated from Heart Mountain to Washington, D.C., has suddenly found his own situation favorable and his problems temporary in comparison with those of the Negro.

Writing from Washington, John Kitasako, a former Palo Alto Altan, expresses astonishment that he, a second generation American whose parent is a native of a nation at war with America, could sit at a counter and be served, while a Negro, probably a 10th or 12th generation American, could not.

He tells of eating breakfast one cold morning in a coffee shop and of a Negro's request for "some coffee to take out." The Negro was a fireman for a big hotel across the street, but the waiter just glared and said, "Nope." A southerner at

Medical Team To Arrive Tomorrow To Give Physicals

Army medical team is expected to arrive tomorrow night to give medical examinations for 42 Manzanar men beginning Monday morning, July 31, disclosed Project Director Ralph P. Merritt.

Eight men who have already had their physical examinations have been added to the first group of 22 local youths whose induction had been postponed to this date, it was revealed. They are: Tokio Fujiyoshi, Henry Shigetaro Handa, Kohey Iiyama, Kiro Joe Inohara, Saburo Kuwahara, Hiroto Yamazaki, Jerry Shigemichi Ushijima and Toshiyuki Pete Takeuchi.

Of the first group examined, all were required to have a re-take on their blood tests.

Those to be examined beginning July 31 and inducted if found fit are: Charles Shizuo Hiyoshi, Masao Isago, George Masato Kanemoto, Minoru Roy Kato, Tamotsu Katsuda, Ray Mistutomo Kawamoto, Sakai Kazunaga, Takumi Komoto, Shige Kusayanagi, Tadao Miyake, Toshiro Murakami, Harry Kaoru Okamoto, Art Akira Nagao.

Sam Masao Nakashima, Thomas Kiyoshi Nishimura, Noboru Nitta, Mitomi Oyama, Hiroshi Saisho, Masuyuki Sakai, Yoshito Sakamoto, Yuji Sato, George Seto, Suekichi Seto, Takeshi Shindo, Rikio Shiohama, Minoru Shishido, Kenzo Harry Tagashira, Taki Tagashira, Kunio Takemoto, Schichizo Henry Umeda, Tom Hidekazu Uyeda, Walter Masami Yamada.

Tetsuo Theodore Yamamoto, Sekai Humanity Yamanouye, Yoshizo Jimmy Yoshimura, Woodrow Mann Wakatsuki, Chester Hiroshi Ito, Kenichi Takashi, Joseph Toshinichi Suzuki, Tom Nakashima and Tomio Tom Kawamoto.

Men who pass in the above group plus those in the first group will be inducted immediately following examinations into the enlisted reserve corps, the project director revealed. Enlisted reserve corp members may travel anywhere outside of the evacuated zone, it was stated, but are subject to call at any time.

100th Infantry Push On Italian Front Told In Report

As the great Tyrrhenian port of Livorno (Leghorn) fell to the American Fifth Army on July 19, front-line dispatches from Italy reported that the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed of American doughboys of Japanese ancestry, had pushed two miles past Lesorgenti, five miles east of Livorno.

Earlier, the Associated Press had reported on July 14, that American troops "knifed through fiercely defended German lines on July 13, and captured the village of Pastina, 13 miles east of Livorno and drove on two miles through San Luce, almost due east of Livorno."

According to the A. P., "the thrust, paced by the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed of American soldiers of Japanese origin, threatened to outflank enemy strongholds on two major routes to Livorno."

United Press reported on July 20 that the Japanese American 100th Infantry Battalion is garrisoning the strategic Italian port city of Livorno which fell to Allied forces on July 19.

It was revealed by Headquarters that elements of the 34th Division, to which the Japanese American Combat Team is attached, were the first to enter Livorno.

the counter drawled, "Where I come from we don't allow niggers in town after sundown." Another piped up, "Where I come from we don't allow no niggers in town—period."

Everybody laughed, it seems, except the nisei, who turned rather sick.